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REF: LOURENCO MARQUES 1194 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: MPLA DELEGATION HEADED BY AGOSTINHO NETO, PAIGC DELEGATION HEADED BY ARISTIDES PEREIRA, AND MLSTP (SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE) GROUP HEADED BY LEONEL D'ALVA SPENT NOVEMBER 9 IN LOURENCO MARQUES AT "SUMMIT" MEETING ON ANGOLA HOSTED BY SAMORA MACHEL IN HIS CAPACITIES AS PRESIDENT OF CONCP (CONFERENCE OF NATIONALIST ORGANIZATIONS OF PORTUGUESE COLONIES), PRESIDENT OF FRELIMO, AND PRESIDENT OF MOZAMBIQUE. END SUMMARY.

2. SUMMIT ISSUED COMMUNIQUE LATE NOVEMBER 9 EXPLAINING THAT MEETING WAS CALLED TO STUDY "GRAVE PROBLEM RESULTING FROM IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION AGAINST ANGLAN PEOPLE AND THEIR LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE MPLA AND TO DETERMINE MODALITIES FOR JOINT ACTION" IN SITUATION.

3. MEETING DECIDED:

A. THAT CONCP MEMBER STATES -- RIGONMAVXISSAU, CAPE VERDE, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE, AND MOZAMBIQUE -- WILL RECOGNIZE "FROM ITS PROCLAMATION BY MPLA THE INDEPENDENT AND SOVEREIGN STATE OF ANGOLA IN ALL OF ITS TERRITORY (PRESUMABLY MEANT TO INCLUDE CABINDA) AND THE GOVERNMENT CONSTITUTED BY MPLA".

B. "TO ENERGETICALLY CONDEMN IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION UNLEASHED AGAINST ANGOLAN PEOPLE, GIVEN SUBSTANCE BY INVASION OF THEIR TERRITORY BY REGULAR FORCES OF LACKEYS OF IMPERIALISM, NAMELY SOUTH AFRICA. THIS AGGRESSION IS INTENDED TO COMPROMISE THE TOTAL AND COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA -- AND TO BLOCK THE DEVELOPING STRUGGLE FOR THE NATIONAL LIBERATION OF AFRICA BY DESTROYING THE VANGUARD OF THIS STRUGGLE, REPRESENTED BY PROGRESSIVE AFRICAN STATES. IT IS THUS AN AGGRESSION AGAINST ALL OF AFRICA."

∴ "TO DENOUNCE THE ATTEMPTED NEOCOLONIZATION OF ANGOLA BY THE PORTUGUESE REACTION, REPRESENTED BY SO-CALLED LIBERATION ARMY OF PORTUGAL (ELP). TO DENOUNCE AS WELL THE EMPLOYMENT OF PORTUGUESE OR OTHER MERCENARY FORCES BY THE PUPPET ORGANIZATIONS (I.E., FNLA AND UNITA), COMPOSED OF ANGOLAN TRAITORS IN THE PAY OF IMPERIALISM.

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D. "TO CONDEMN THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT IN THE DECOLONIZATION OF ANGOLA, WHICH BEHAVIOR CREATED THE CONDITIONS THAT MADE POSSIBLE THE OCCUPATION OF PART OF THE TERRITORY BY FOREIGN FORCES, WHICH CONSTITUTES OBJECTIVE COMPLICITY IN THE AGGRESSION AGAINST THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE."

E. "TO REAFFIRM THE TOTAL SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT OF PARTIES

AND STATES MEMBERS OF CONCP FOR THE STRUGGLE OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE LED BY MPLA."

F. "TO APPEAL TO ALL PEACE-LOVING AND FREEDOM-LOVING STATES AND TO ALL DEMOCRATIC FORCES IN THE WORLD TO RECOGNIZE THE SOVEREIGN STATE OF ANGOLA, ITS GOVERNMENT AND ITS VANGUARD -- THE MPLA, AND TO SUPPORT BY ALL MEANS THE STRUGGLE OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE IN DEFENSE OF THEIR INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND THEIR RIGHT TO PROGRESS AND PEACE."

4. "NOTICIAS" COVERED DEPARTURE FOR LUSAKA LAST NIGHT OF MOHAMMED SAHNOUN, WHO REPORTEDLY BROUGHT A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO SAMORA MACHEL FROM ALGERIAN PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE. UPON LEAVING LOURENCO MARQUES, SAHNOUN TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE "PRESIDENT AND GOVERNMENT OF ALGERIA CHARGED ME WITH CONVEYING OUR TOTAL SOLIDARITY WITH RESULTS OF CONCP MEETING."

5. GPRM DELEGATION TO ANGOLA INDEPENDENCE CEREMONIES LEFT SUNDAY AFTERNOON FOR LUANDA. IT IS HEADED BY FRELIMO VICE PRESIDENT AND GPRM ECON PLANNING MINISTER MARCELINO DOS SANTOS, AND INCLUDES JUSTICE MINISTER RUI BALTHAZAR AND THIRTEEN LOWER-RANKING OFFICIALS.

6. COMMENT: CONSPICUOUSLY ABSENT FROM CONCP COMMUNIQUE, AND FROM SPEECHES OPENING YESTERDAYS MEETING (SEPTTEL) WAS, EXCEPT BY IMPLICATION, ANY MENTION OF ZAIRE OR THE UNITED STATES. ZAIRE HAS FOR WEEKS BEEN CHARGED IN LOCAL MEDIA WITH HAVING MOUNTED AGGRESSION AGAINST MPLA BY SENDING TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT INTO NORTHERN ANGOLA. COMMUNIQUE WAS ALSO GENTLE ON SOUTH AFRICA, ANOTHER INDICATION THAT, SO FAR AS TAKING ON POWERFUL ANTAGONISTS IS CONCERNED, GPRM SEEMS STILL TO BE ADHERING TO MAXIM THAT DISCRETION IS THE BETTER PART OF VALOR. PORTUGAL, OF COURSE, IS MUCH FURTHER AWAY AND RATHER IMPOTENT.
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UM RELATIVELY MILD TONE OF COMMUNIQUE, HOWEVER, SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN TO DETRACT FROM SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH GPRM VIEWS ANGOLAN SITUATION, NOR FROM ITS DETERMINATION TO ASSIST MPLA IN WHATEVER WAYS IT REALISTICALLY CAN. ARENALES

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